

The Clovis News.

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A crying baby is simply developing its lungs.

On some of the tight skirts one S. R. O. sign should be hung.

Anyway, the grandmothers of the office boys have thus far not died in vain.

There would be fewer failures could baseball enthusiasm be carried into business.

Germany is trying to take the tang out of the tango by sending those who dance it to prison.

Joy-riding is one of the things that ought to be done soberly—which, manifestly, is impossible.

The housemaids having organized, the "copper" will now exchange the back porch for the parlor.

It is always interesting at this time of the year to find out in how many new places the old garden hose leaks.

The painted gown is the latest fashion from Paris. It is to be hoped it is not intended to match the face.

At that, no one ever has attempted to describe a girl riding on the aft seat of a motorcycle as particularly charming.

It begins to look as if the time had arrived when no elopement can be considered complete without a press agent.

A Chicago girl lost two of her teeth in biting a footpad who tried to rob her. Beyond question he was a tough.

The prudent Englishman now looks under his chair before sitting down to dinner, and under his bed before going to sleep.

According to a college professor, baseball is a nerve irritant. Still, the home team can't be expected to win always.

Now there is to be an astronomical trust. If poetical justice is dealt out to it the new combination ought to see stars.

The new British ambassador is a baseball fan, which is certainly better than devotion to the tennis court or even golfing.

Broadway, says an intrepid woman explorer, is more in need of missionaries than darkest Africa. And yet it has its angels.

Orrville Wright says aviation is just as safe as motorling. Which assuredly goes a long way toward bolstering up our motorling nerve.

A New Jersey school is to teach the art of milking cows. The pretty girl so doing is to become a fair fact in life as well as in song.

At last all hazy notions of the value of a Missouri husband and a Missouri mule have been swept aside. A Missouri woman has traded the one for the other.

Chicago policemen view with peculiar approval the organization of the housemaids' union in that city and the subsequent grant of the use of the front parlor.

A Pennsylvania husband of ninety was sent to jail recently for not supporting his wife. It is terrible the way these youngsters will disregard their responsibilities.

"Slit skirts" have been forbidden in Los Angeles schools, the old fogey authorities having an idea that their pupils should improve their understandings by other methods.

They want to know who first used the slang term, "I should worry?" When they find him they should not

CROP OF IMPORTANCE

Always Good Demand in Large Cities for Cabbage.

Considerable Stimulus Given Growing of Crop in Recent Years by Sauerkraut Factories—Disease Resistant Strains.

The cabbage is a native of western and southern Europe and has been used for human food from time immemorial. All of the types of cabbage, cauliflower, brussels sprouts, collard and kale have sprung from the same original source. The wild type is still growing on the chalk cliffs of the English channel. On the cliffs of south-eastern England is now found a plant similar to the Georgia collards.

The cabbage crop is a very important one, large quantities being grown by farmers and truck gardeners for the markets of all the large cities, where it is used largely for immediate consumption. There is always a good demand in the large cities in late summer and early fall for cabbage. It is very difficult to get data of the acreage, yield and average value of



Use of "Resistant" Cabbage Seed. Saver Crop. (A) "Cabbage-Slick" Field (Racine, Wis.) in 1911. Plants Nearly All Destroyed. (B) Same Field in 1912. Plants Grown From "Resistant" Seed.

the crop grown by those who cater to these demands. The prices vary greatly according to the season and location. The price per ton, as indicated by fifteen correspondents entering to the trade of different cities, varies from \$5 to \$15. During the past few years, considerable stimulus has been given the growing of cabbage through the sauerkraut factories, many of which contract at fair prices for the entire output of cabbage.

Many growers maintain that a cabbage crop of nine tons per acre is a better paying crop than corn, wheat or oats under fair yields.

In some sections near the large markets, many growers have been driven out of business, so far as cabbage culture is concerned, through the ravages of certain fungus diseases affecting this plant. Much hope is entertained of the possibility of securing disease-resistant strains.

This is a work that requires several years for positive results. Sometimes it is desirable even after securing resistant plants to cross-breed these with marketable strains, as it is often the case that resistant strains or varieties are not high yielding or of desirable quality. It would even seem profitable for growers to continue desirable strains by selecting those of the proper type and yielding capacity. The practice of purchasing seeds from promiscuous retailers often proves a risky business. One need be no specialist to note that many irregular types, and low quality, poor yielding strains are to be found throughout the cabbage districts. This difficulty

Mowing Alfalfa Hay in Afternoon. An Ohio alfalfa grower has concluded that the loss of moisture that takes place in the heavy alfalfa in the afternoon is more rapid in uncultivated hay than in that cut in the early morning while it is full of the moisture accumulated during the night. For this reason he does not start the mower until about noon.

When this plan is followed the rake is often started to advantage the following morning, as soon as the dew is off. Especially is this true in the case of crops harvested late in the season when the conditions are more favorable for curing.

Permanent Asparagus Bed. Asparagus may be started from seed sown in rich, well-prepared soil in the early spring, in rows about two and a half feet apart, dropping the seed three inches apart in the row, covering one inch deep. These will take good plants for planting permanently the following spring.

One-year-old plants are better than older ones, for the reason that they suffer less from transplanting and

can be remedied only by purchase from reliable seed houses, or by the growing of seed from carefully selected, home grown stock.

Prof. L. H. Jones of Wisconsin has found that various commercial fertilizers, as well as soil disinfectants, are wholly useless as preventive agents for the control of this disease in infected soil. For several seasons he has turned his attention chiefly toward the breeding of resistant strains and reports most substantial progress in this direction. In fields planted with commercial varieties in 1910, where the disease caused almost an entire loss, the few naturally resistant heads were selected and seed raised therefrom in 1911. While commercial seed planted on infected fields gave in 1912 only 21 per cent. of living plants, the cabbage grown from the "resistant" seed developed 86 per cent. live plants, over half of which formed heads. Seed produced from the best head gave 93 per cent. of properly matured heads. These results show the influence of careful selection and indicate clearly the great possibilities that lie in the use of home grown seed of disease resistant strains.

MAKE HAY OF SWEET CLOVER

If Plant Is Cut in Season It Is Relished by Young Mules and Horses—Likes Any Soil.

A weed has been defined as a plant out of place. In a country where sweet clover grows so abundantly it should be made use of for some purpose rather than to make the roadside, the fence rows and ditch banks so unsightly. If cut in a season it can be made into hay which is far better than a snow bank for all kinds of stock, and for young horses and mules it is relished. Sheep and cattle will eat hay made from it and rather enjoy the variety in the ration which it supplies.

Sweet clover is a very cosmopolitan plant, adapting itself to all kinds of soil and conditions. It is a great nitrogen gatherer, growing on poor soil, providing there is enough lime in the soil to meet its needs. Try making the sweet clover into hay this coming season, and see if it cannot thus be turned into some account.

SUPER-REST IS CONVENIENT

Found to Be of Great Assistance in Examination of Hives—It Saves Crushing of Bees.

I am sending a drawing of a simple article which I find very convenient. I call it a super-rest, writes Elmer E. Walte of Mystic, Conn., in the Gleanings in Bee Culture. The upper drawing shows a sawhorse arrangement which is easily made by any one. The lower drawing shows a box which is about as simple to make, and will



A Super-Rest.

hold smoker, tools, etc. The upper one shows a super in place. The two ends of the holder should be about sixteen inches apart. I find this a great help when examining hives, as I can place this near the hive, usually in front, and set the super or supers on it. It saves crushing bees, and your super will not fall over as they do when set on end.

will develop a cutting bed as soon as the older plants used. Select the best developed plants, with large buds, discarding all the inferior ones.

Make-Up of Thoroughbred. Many things enter into the makeup of a thoroughbred horse—the feet and legs must be right, the legs straight and well set under the body. The head should be well poised and the expression of the face good. The shoulders, ribs and thighs symmetrical, and the whole animal covered with good coat of hair.

Forcing Garden in Dry Season. Liquid manure offers one of the best means to keep up the flagging spirits of the garden in a dry season and whenever growth seems to lag. It is easily made by filling a cheese-cloth bag with fresh manure and suspending it in a tub or cask filled with water.

Ways of Cot Worms. Why do the cot worms confine their attention to vegetables and pass up the "pusley" and red root?

BED FOR ASPARAGUS

Perennial Will Grow and Be Productive for 15 or 20 Years With Proper Attention.

It requires a good deal of an artist to properly prepare a bed for asparagus. Asparagus is a perennial which will grow and be productive for 15 or 20 years, and greatest care, therefore, should be given to the selection of the soil and preparation of the ground previous to planting. The asparagus does best in a deep, rich, moist soil with plenty of humus in it. It should be on a warm exposure, preferably to the south or west. If the land is coarse, it should be prepared one or two years in advance of planting time. This can be done by growing some root crops that require deep cultivation. The plants are put out in rows at least four feet apart. The old method of growing asparagus was in beds, but better results are obtained when they are planted in long rows, as it is easier to irrigate the crop and keep the soil in good condition. The plants should stand three feet in the row. The plants are set in furrows from six to ten inches deep and the crowns covered with loose earth or compost to a depth of two or three inches. As the plants grow the trenches are gradually filled in with the cultivator or by hand hoes and then irrigation is applied every week or ten days to stimulate the growth the first year. The tops are usually mowed down in the fall, although some growers allow a reservoir to hold and store moisture. If the ground is plowed ten inches deep and put in good condition it will absorb and hold more rain or irrigation at one time than land plowed half that depth would hold, and the deep plowing will retain it much longer. Deep plowing is usually good plowing for it grinds up and pulverizes the soil. Ground should be plowed in the fall then let stand until spring so as to catch the winter snows.

WATER LIFT FOR IRRIGATING

Montana Man Perfects Invention Adapted for Elevating Water and for Other Useful Purposes.

The Scientific American in describing a water lift, invented by B. F. Strange of Victor, Mont., says: "The invention is especially adapted for elevating water to the uplands for irrigation and other useful purposes. It provides a mechanism for lifting water continuously from a lower level to a higher, one especially adapted for



Water Lift.

use in irrigation. The flume or ditch may be of any desired construction, the size and length depending on the country in which the outfit is used. The operation of the car and the pusher may be continued for any desired length of time, and as many cars may be employed as can be taken care of, the operation affording a continuous supply of water to the upper level. The engraving shows a sectional side view of the water source and means of elevation to distribution points."

GENERAL FARM NOTES

Loosening the subsoil allows the rains to soak in.

Good seed corn is one of the most important factors in producing a good yield.

No man can tell whether corn will grow or not, without making a germination test.

Planting only such vegetables as are liked by the family is better than planting a great variety.

Planting in straight rows is better than planting in raised beds.

It does not pay to devote high-priced land for long periods to pasture and the production of hay.

Eleven pounds of alfalfa is worth as much in feeding value as ten pounds of bran, and it costs but half as much.

Breaking ground in winter makes the ground more loose and mellow than spring breaking. It also destroys insect larvae.

To kill Canada thistles in a field, put the field in some cultivated crop and keep the weeds down.

Did you ever think how much ground a good ear of corn will plant? It is just that much ground wasted if you plant a poor ear.

The application of business methods to farm management will do more than all else combined to make farming profitable and pleasant.

Manure saved in the cattle shed in April and May is more free from weed and clover seed than that saved at any other time of the year.

Protein that is grown upon the farm is often more valuable than that which is purchased in concentrated form, and it is also cheaper.

ALARM BOX LOCATES FIRE

New Signal System Flashs Message to All Parts of the Building.

A fire alarm box which indicates the floor on which the fire is located, and also in what part, designed particularly for factory buildings in which a large number of women are employed, has been brought out by a Brooklyn inventor.

Boxes are placed on each floor. In case of fire, the alarm is sounded by pushing the button indicating the part of the floor where it has started. If the fire is at the east end, for instance, the button marked "east" is pushed. This sets off an alarm bell on all the boxes in the building and illuminates a number and letter to indicate the fire's position. If, for example, the fire is near the center of the third floor, "3C" will be illuminated on every box. This tells every person in the building the location of the fire and enables them to determine the safest way to take to reach a place of safety.—Popular Mechanics.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for Children, teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic, etc. 4 bottles 25c.

The greatest drawback to the pursuit of wealth is that wealth always seems to get its second wind.

You Can Stop a Carbuncle or Boil After It Begins to Form, by using DR. FORT'S ANTI-SEPTIC HEALING OIL. 25c. per 41.00.

When girls are not busy picking husbands they are busy picking quarrels with those who are.

Red Cross Ball Blue, all blue, best bluing value in the world, makes the laundryman smile. Adv.

The Natural Thing. He—Those women voters scratched the ticket. She—The cats!

Their Style. "The gems of literature are in this library." "I see most of them are uncut gems."

The Spring Deluge. "Why do you avoid your friends of late, old man? Anything gone wrong?" "No; but about this time of year everybody you know wants to sell you a ticket for something or other."

A Rush Day. "Had a terrible rush day at the office," said the man who is always over-worked.

"What was the matter?" "Oh, all sorts of things. Four book agents, two or three friends from out of town, two men to fix the electric wiring, two more to hang awnings, and any number of other details, I had hard work to get away in time to see the ball game."

Stolen Hair Means Death. In many parts of the modern world the believer in witchcraft still gets hold of hair, nail parings and so forth from an enemy's head and hands, and burns, buries or does something else with them in order to entail unpleasant consequences upon that enemy. And universal folklore reveals the concern of savages to dispose of their own hair and nail clippings to prevent an enemy from getting at them. Australian native girls who have had a lock of hair stolen from them expect speedy death as a certainty.

BEGAN YOUNG. Had "Coffee Nerves" From Youth.

"When very young I began using coffee and continued up to the last six months," writes a Texas girl.

"I had been exceedingly nervous, thin and very pale. After quitting coffee and drinking Postum about a month my nervousness disappeared and has never returned. This is the more remarkable as I am a primary teacher and have kept right on with my work."

"My complexion now is clear and rosy, my skin soft and smooth. As a good complexion was something I had greatly desired, I feel amply repaid even though this was the only benefit derived from drinking Postum."

"Before beginning its use I had suffered greatly from indigestion and headache; these troubles are now unknown."

"I changed from coffee to Postum without the slightest inconvenience, did not even have a headache. Have known coffee drinkers, who were visiting me, to use Postum a week without being aware that they were not drinking coffee."

Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich. Write for booklet, "The Road to Wellville."

Postum comes in two forms. Regular (must be boiled).

Instant Postum doesn't require boiling but is prepared instantly by stirring a level teaspoonful in an ordinary cup of hot water, which makes it right for most persons.

A big cup requires more and some people who like strong things put in a heaping spoonful and temper it with a large supply of cream.

Experiment until you know the amount that pleases your palate and have it served that way in the future. "There's a Reason" for Postum.